



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Nathan RAVI et al.

Serial No. 10/574,667

(National Phase of PCT/US2004/028637)

Filed: April 4, 2006

Title: HYDROGEL NANOCOMPOSITES FOR
OPHTHALMIC APPLICATIONS

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) Examiner: TBD
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) Art Unit: 1615
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) Atty Docket No: 111828-00137
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**RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.497d AND
REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby requests reconsideration to correct inventorship in the above-identified patent application.

Applicant petitioned to correct inventorship on April 5, 2007, to remove Hyder Ali Aliar (miss named as Aliyar H. Ali) as an inventor. A Declaration and an Assignment executed by the remaining inventor, Dr. Nathan Ravi; a Statement by Hyder Ali Aliar; and fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) were also filed on the same date.

The petition was dismissed because a statement from the assignee consenting to the removal of the inventor named in the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) is missing.

Applicant files herewith consent from the assignees, the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Washington University in St. Louis, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) and requests reconsideration of the request to correct inventorship.

A Petition for a one-month extension of time and fee therefor are filed herewith.

In the event there are any questions relating to this Request or to the application in general, it would be appreciated if the Examiner would telephone the undersigned attorney concerning such questions so that the prosecution of this application may be expedited.

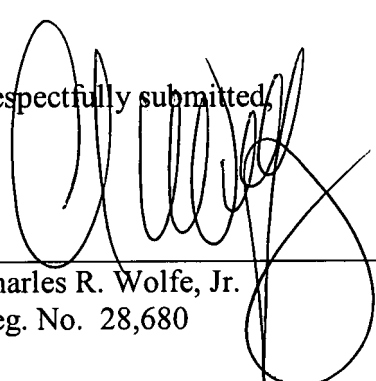
Please charge any shortage or credit any overpayment of fees to BLANK ROME LLP, Deposit Account No. 23-2185 (111828-00137). In the event that a petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted herewith and in the event that a separate petition does not accompany this response, Applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to render this submission timely.

Any fee due is authorized above.

Date: August 7, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

The Department of Veterans Affairs and the Washington University in St. Louis ("Assignees") state that they are the assignees of the entire right, title, and interest in the above-identified patent application. An assignment from the inventor of the patent application identified above is attached herewith and has been filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 5, 2007.

The Assignees consent to the change of inventorship requested, specifically to remove Hyder Ali Aliar as an inventor. The sole remaining inventor is Nathan Ravi.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 6/4/07

Signature for the Department of Veterans Affairs

Printed name: DEBORAH K. McCALLUM

Title: ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL FOR
PROFESSIONAL STAFF GROUP N

Date: _____

Signature for the Washington University in St. Louis

Printed name: _____

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Title: _____

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